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In re: Halbert *et al.* Confirmation No. 3177
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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.181 TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
IN ACCORDANCE WITH MPEP §711.03(C) AND 1156 O.G. 53**

Sir:

As set forth in MPEP § 711.03(c) and 1156 O.G. 53, Applicants hereby petition to have the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application withdrawn. The application was held to be abandoned for failure to respond to an Office Action mailed October 2, 2007. The following materials are submitted in support of Applicants' petition:

1. a copy of the outside front cover of the file jacket maintained by us for the above-identified application; and
2. a copy of our Docket Control Sheet for the application.

The Office Action of was not received by us. The undersigned attorney for Applicants has made a search of the file jacket and docket records associated with the above-identified application, and that search indicates that the Office Action mailed October 2, 2007 was not received by us. A search of PAIR shows the Office Action was returned to the Patent Office by the U.S. Postal Service for unknown reasons as the address of "Alston & Bird LLP, Bank of America Plaza, 101 South Tryon Street, Suite 4000, Charlotte, NC 28280-4000" as it appears on the Office Action is correct. Upon examining the return envelope shown in PAIR, it appears the Office Action may have been in the envelope with the address not appearing in the window of the envelope.

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cover of the file jacket, as well as on a separate Docket Control Sheet, when the Office Actions are received. The copy of the front outside cover of the file jacket in the above-identified application and the copy of the Docket Control Sheet both show that the Office Action of October 2, 2007 was not entered, thus indicating that the Office Action was not received.

In view of the foregoing remarks and the enclosed evidence indicating that the Office Action was not received, Applicants respectfully request that the instant petition be granted and that the holding of abandonment of the application be withdrawn.

It is believed that the present petition is treated as a petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.181, and that no fee is applicable. However, if any fee is due, please charge the fee to our deposit account No. 16-0605.

Respectfully submitted,

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